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1. The reply filed on 10/10 is informal/not responsive to the prior Office action because the response was filed with extra dependent claims for which an additional \$6.00 is owed. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to William Pierce at E-mail address [bill.pierce@USPTO.gov](mailto:bill.pierce@USPTO.gov) or at telephone number (703) 308-3551.

  
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**ATTACHMENT TO AND MODIFICATION OF**  
**NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY (PTO-37)**  
***(November, 2000)***

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<sup>1</sup> The language which is crossed out is contrary to amended 37 CFR 1.85(c) and 1.136. See "Changes to Implement the Patent Business Goals", 65 Fed. Reg. 54603, 54629, 54641, 54670, 54674 (September 8, 2000), 1238 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 77, 99, 110, 135, 139 (September 19, 2000).

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The response filed on 1/10/2024 was filed with extra independent claim(s) for which an additional claim fee of \$ 0.00 is owed.

The response filed on 10-20-00 was filed with 12 extra dependent claim(s) for which an additional claim fee of \$ 6.00 is owed. *Partial Payment.*

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